

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	
FRERKING, Melvin D., et al.)	
)	Group Art Unit: 2663
Application No.: 10/044,386)	
)	Examiner: NG, Christine Y.
Filed: December 26, 2002)	
)	Confirmation No.: 8941
For: System and Method for Providing)	
Flexible Data Rate Transmission in a)	
Telecommunication System)	

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2006 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on Page 21 of this Response.